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SUBJECT: GULF OIL

1. NESTOR ORTIZ, WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE OF GULF OIL, TODAY REQUESTED THAT DEPARTMENT INFORM CARLOS DORADO, GULF REPRESENTATIVE IN LA PAZ, THAT MR. GEORGE DONNELLY (PHON-ETIC) REPRESENTING GULF WILL ARRIVE NOON THURSDAY, MAY 15, TO CONVEY GULF MESSAGE TO GOB. ORTIZ STATED COMPANY DID NOT WANT TO TELEPHONE OR SEND CABLE TO DORADO OUT OF "CONCERN FOR DONNELLY'S PERSONAL SAFETY".

2. DEPARTMENT OFFICER INFORMED ORTIZ THAT WHILE IT HAD AGREED TO TRANSMIT GULF LETTER ON MAY 9 BECAUSE OF THE URGENT DEADLINE FACTOR, IT WAS NOT PREPARED TO ACT AS AN INTERMEDIARY IN TRANSMITTING FURTHER MESSAGES. IT WAS SUGGESTED TO ORTIZ THAT GULF UTILIZE ITS COMMERCIAL CODE IN CONTACTING DORADO. PRESUMABLY, GULF WILL COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH HIM AS IT WAS MADE CLEAR WE WOULD NOT TRANSMIT MESSAGE. FOREGOING IS FOR EMBASSY INFORMATION ONLY. KISSINGER

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